

NEWS FROM MOUNDS, ILLINOIS  
Special to The Broad Ax

The Douglass Grade School, Mounds, Ill., has an enrollment of two hundred eighty pupils and the Mounds Township High School has twenty pupils enrolled.

Miss Mattie Woodson of Mound City and Mrs. C. A. Mitchell of Mounds, are the new teachers in the schools here this year. Miss Woodson has charge of the fifth and sixth grades, Mrs. Mitchell teaches some high school subjects and domestic science. Both are doing good work.

Miss H. L. Mosby, our most excellent primary and music teacher will spend Thanksgiving Day in St. Louis, Mo., where she will be joined by her parents from Springfield, Ill. We wish her a joyous Thanksgiving.

The pupils of the Mounds Township high school made a nice little sum from their Halloween entertainment. This goes to our piano fund.

The piano adds so much to the school. Every one interested in the school will cheerfully do whatever he can to help pay for the instrument.

We were sorry to lose our eighth grade teacher, Miss A. E. Price of Quincy, Ill., who went to East St. Louis where she is employed in the grade schools with an increase of pay. We wish her success there.

Mrs. Willie Jenkins taught grades five and six during Miss Woodson's illness.

The principal of Douglass School has asked permission to remove a partition wall which will give a larger and much needed assembly room.

The teachers and pupils solicit the visits of parents at school. This will encourage us in our work and those parents who visit will get a better knowledge of the work that is being done.

The U. S. Government sees the necessity of teaching the Spanish and Portuguese languages in our High Schools. Mr. Mitchell says that he would like to have a class in Spanish, which he would teach himself.

We have had several distinguished visitors in our schools recently, among whom were Rev. Dr. Foster of Jackson, Tenn., and Dr. W. McHenry Wintes of Havana, Cuba. Both gentlemen made excellent speeches.

Spencer Heights has been chosen for our new Township High School site. This is an excellent location and we should feel proud of this wise selection.

## NEGRO FELLOWSHIP LEAGUE

Fifth of the series of heart to heart talks by principals of different schools, especially those where a goodly number of the pupils are Colored—will be given at the Negro Fellowship League, 3005 State Street, Sunday afternoon, November 29th, at 4 o'clock. The League is expecting to have the principal of the Farren School and also Miss Bell Patten, teacher in the same school to be present and deliver short addresses. On last Sunday Miss Williamson, principal of the Coleman School, gave a very interesting account of some of her experiences as principal in this school. Every one cordially invited, especially parents.

## THE HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Nowadays one hears much of the "high cost of living"—it is higher and soaring higher. That is a fact too evident to be denied and so the question of the day with most of us is "How can I cut expenses—how save a little?" There are many ways of solving this problem—by cutting grocery bills—by careful use of gas—by economy in dress. However, it is by none of these methods that we can help you, but we can help you to lower your rent bill. We have lots of modern flats in desirable neighborhoods at very low rental—lower than you can find anywhere else in the city. Call at our office and let us help you. Fraternal Real Estate Co., 6155 Wentworth Ave. Phone Wentworth 1712.

## HALLS TO RENT.

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## CHIPS

William H. Hayman, 3238 Vernon Ave., has for the past week been confined to his home with kidney troubles. But his many friends hope for his speedy recovery.

Mrs. Mayme Clinkscale, the exclusive milliner, 3641 S. State Street, skillfully makes willow plumes into French plumes and all of her work is of the highest creation in that direction.

Mrs. Estella Drish, 6120 S. Ada St., has recently greatly improved her home on the exterior as well as the interior by repainting and redecorating it and in every way making it very attractive.

N. L. Wilson, 6116 South Aberdeen Street, has had a hard time of it with his teeth for the past two weeks and he will be forced to engage a dentist to work on them before he can resume his duties on the railroad.

Miss Delpha Boger, nee William G. Anderson, who is the musical instructor at the State College, Orangeburg, S. C., has been visiting her parents at Aurora, Ill., the past week. She will depart for her southern home this evening.

Miss Anna Schulman has served as stenographer for Attorney Walter M. Farmer, 184 W. Washington Street, for the past three years and in that length of time she has made many friends and greatly improved herself in many ways.

Col. A. D. Gash, 118 N. LaSalle Street, left Tuesday evening for his old birthplace, Macon, Mo., where he remained one day, he will return there again on December 3rd and deliver the leading oration at the annual meeting of the Macon County Old Settlers or Business Men's Association.

It is said that Ralph W. Tyler, for some years fourth auditor of the navy, will re-engage in the barbershop business at the old trade at Columbus, Ohio, and do some newspaper work on the side for The Columbus Dispatch. For the past year Mr. Tyler has been the national organizer for Prof. Booker T. Washington's Business League.

I think I've caused the girl some pain.  
With her I'm in disgrace.  
I said a fact was just as plain  
As the nose on her face.  
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Kathryn—Jack Huggins just fell at my feet the moment he saw me.  
Kitty—Stumbled over them, I suppose.—Kansas City Star.

Oh, politics is something queer!  
It is an ancient text  
The friends you counted on one year  
Are enemies the next.  
—Washington Star.

"I've noticed one thing about suffragettes."  
"And what is that?"  
"There is many a one making sweeping gestures who never uses a broom."  
—Baltimore Sun.

I caused the poor waitress to feel  
I'm generous and really good hearted:  
As soon as I finished my meal  
I tipped her a wink and departed.  
—Judge.

Kriss—Who stood up for him when he married?  
Kross—Nobody. They all called him an idiot.—Smart Set.

"Please vaccinate me," said Miss Wren.  
"Where it will not appear."  
The doc said, "Neath your instep then  
Or right behind the ear."  
—New York Mail.

"What did your wife say to you for remaining downtown so late last night?"  
"Well, if you have an hour to spare I can give you a synopsis of it."  
—Kansas City Journal.

Oh, what a topsy turvy world!  
Why can't I, if I choose,  
Just take the shine from off my nose  
And put it on my shoes?  
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Our water pipe got choked up, and the confounded plumber charged me \$20 for fixing it. It's an imposition."  
"Well, you can't say you didn't get a run for your money."  
—Boston Transcript.

'Tis love makes the world go round.  
'Tis love that helps us bear our ills.  
But, oh, as all of us have found,  
'Tis work alone that pays this bill!  
—Detroit Free Press.

## Short Stories.

Holland pays old age pensions to more than 80,000 persons, who are over seventy years of age.

It is stated that no city in the world produces newspapers in such a variety of languages as New York.

In the per capita consumption of tobacco Holland leads the world, with Belgium second and the United States third.

Cameras that will photograph objects many miles away, the details of which are carefully guarded secrets, have been added to the equipment of the United States army signal corps.

Over 50,000 visits are made every year to the free clinics of the University of California medical school. During the past year the number of patients treated at the out department of the University hospital in San Francisco increased by more than 50 per cent.

Also the price of peace has gone up.

Please others and you may please yourself.

They can't get a new dance out of the war anyhow.

Though you have money, you cannot buy what is not to sell.

Everything must be at sea when the nations can't even float a loan.

When bad news travels it always throws on the high speed lever.

Lots of royal kinsmen in Europe now do not speak to one another.

The European situation is a reminder that cousins frequently quarrel.

Some men are like mules—they have no kicks coming; they are all going.

Many a politician has found it easier to make a record than to explain it.

Belgium is bitterly opposed to being the international cemetery of Europe.

Europe will find the bread box is more vital than the ammunition chest.

The colleges' courses in European history will all have to be changed this fall.

Some people's curiosity is as crooked as the interrogation point that goes with it.

The great decisive victory will be won when General Starvation takes command.

However, war has its compensations. Several poets have been sent to the front.

Anyway, Holland should have no trouble in placing her enemies on the water wagon.

America is at present enjoying a supremacy based on plowshares rather than on swords.

It takes a good deal of care at the spigot to save a waste of \$50,000,000 a day at the bung.

A great many actors are said to be stranded abroad. Just as many are that way over here.

No doubt it is worrying the czar a great deal these days to know whether his Poles are negative.

They were so successful in localizing the war in Europe that pretty much every locality gets some of it.

When this war is over there probably will be no complaint for some time that Europe is overpopulated.

To say that the unexpected always happens is merely to confess our ignorance of what ought to be expected.

As war is expensive Canada is probably sending those million bags of flour so that England may have the dough.

Those still searching about for a name for the present war shouldn't overlook the hunch General Sherman gave.

When it comes to going to extremes you have to hand it to the doctor who says wearing of tight shoes causes baldness.

This is the first time on record that Latin America was as anxious to do business with us as we are to do business with it.

We thought music was the only universal language. But how about the roar of the cannon and the wall of the widow and orphan?

The way merchant ships are already passing through the Panama canal further confirms the conviction that it is filling a long felt want.

Men are discovering in the red light of war that many things which they considered permanent and immutable are nothing of the sort.

A manufacturer is making gloves with coin pockets in the palms. A one armed man is going to have a fine time getting at his change.

There are to be some more new football rules this year, but even the changes may not make the reason for football clear to some people.

A state of neutrality requires only that every man shall attend to his own affairs and respect the rights of his neighbors to do the same thing.

The government has issued new charts showing the approaches to the Cape Cod canal, and foreign governments can buy them if they will.

Mr. Carnegie spent enough money on peace palaces to be pardoned for expressing some indignation in regard to the way The Hague has treated him.

Those Dreadnoughts and super-Dreadnoughts and other terrible ships of war appear to be having fairly good luck in keeping out of each other's way.

Whether the British-American peace centenary plans proceed or not, it is becoming evident that Ghent was an unfortunate choice for the central celebration.

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